

Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

The Wright brothers appear to have a flying start in Paris.

The latest drink in New York is called the aviator, but does it produce a dirigible jag?

It appears that, after all, the thrifty Wright brothers have not packed all their eggs in one basket.

The town of Ochopee, in Georgia, is to have another name. No sense in such a name in a dry state.

Count Zeppelin's airship, however, is still a long way from getting into the ships-that-pass-in-the-night class.

Japan is planning to show the American sailors the time of their lives if they can learn to like Japanese cooking.

A Georgia train ran into a mule and was thrown into a ditch. The mule must have been going at a high rate of speed—Georgia trains don't.

An Illinois professor wants the mails closed against fairy tales. Does the man want to rob political literature of one of its chief features?

For resenting a practical joke a Chicago man was thrown from a third story window and killed. It is a rare gift to know when to laugh.

Another pleasing feature of the aeroplane is that you can look at it, as it sails over your head, without having to dig sand out of your eyes afterward.

"Marie Corelli," says her press agent, "is about to write a novel against the drink habit." Thereby reclaiming some of the poor souls she has driven to it.

A western stenographer has brought suit against her employer because the office chair was so high that it hurt her spine. A little thing to get her back up about.

A New York musical comedy author recently lost several manuscripts by fire. This will make the work on the stage manager that much easier in conducting rehearsals.

A Philadelphia motorman who has inherited \$150,000 refuses to quit working. Which shows that the slowness of Philadelphia people is not accidental, but psychopathic.

It is said that Izet Pasha should not be permitted to find asylum in this country because he has three wives. That may be the very reason why he is most in need of asylum.

So the auto is not only putting a crimp in the horse's business, but depriving those that remain in the harness of their ancient privilege of running away. Soon it will be: "Lo, the poor horse."

Carlyle said: "A dislike of noise is a measure of civilization," and the neglect to protect a people against unnecessary noises, declares the Ohio State Journal, is an indication of a crude and ignorant government.

Some New Yorkers who would rather be contrary than compromise a hair's breadth have gone to law over 25 cents. We suspect the lawyers did not take the case for half the amount of a successful judgment.

A man in New York ate 50 ears of corn in one evening, consuming a pound of butter in the process. The fact that he appeared to suffer no inconvenience from this meal may be regarded as classifying him zoologically.

A rich citizen of Lincoln, Neb., tried to kill his wife because she would not talk to him as much as he desired. Further proof of his insanity is afforded by the fact that he attempted to commit suicide immediately afterward.

What did the king and kaiser talk about at their meeting? Navies, airships, the advance of "radicalism," the situation in Turkey? Possibly, but the chief topic must have been how to spend one's vacation with the maximum of benefit.

The Russian duma seems to be gradually getting a grip on things. The duma was opposed to one of the grand dukes who was at the head of the council for national defense, and let the czar know it. The grand duke was "bounced." Still, the czar may have been merely waiting for a good excuse.

Everything about that cruise of the big fleet tends to show the glances of our warships and the admirable way in which they are handled. Dispatches from Auckland say that after careful examination the vessels are found actually in better condition than when they started. And they have sailed many thousands of miles and been through heavy storms.

Although "changing the face of nature" is a remark frequently used to describe some important work of man upon the earth, it is usually little more than a figure of speech. In a newly developed Mexican oil field, however, the remark might be applied with some justice. Through the carelessness of a workman, fire was communicated to the subterranean reservoirs of oil some weeks ago. Explosions followed which tore up the whole surface of the earth for a square mile, and since then 90,000 barrels of the oil has been burning daily.

The death of Alsworth R. Spofford, at Plymouth, N. H., recalls a notable career. Mr. Spofford was best known to the country and to the world of letters as librarian of congress, a position which he held from 1864 to 1897, and in which he became a familiar figure at the national capital. In fact, it was during his administration that the library grew to impressive proportions which made necessary the provision of better accommodations. He lived to see the magnificent building completed and the library installed.



STANDARD REPLIES

RECONSIDERATION OF LANDS FINE TO BE ARGUED.

LAWYERS REQUEST FAIR PLAY

Attorneys Insist That Criticisms Be Confined to Points of Law.

Chicago.—The Standard Oil Company of Indiana, resisting every effort to have new arguments on the recent decision of the United States circuit court of appeals, which reversed a fine of \$29,000,000 imposed on the company, and ordered a new trial, Thursday filed an answer to the government's petition for a rehearing. The time limit for filing the answer would have expired at midnight Thursday.

Less sensational than the document in which the federal petitioners criticized the judicial ability of Judges Peter S. Grosscup, Seaman and Baker for setting aside the fine imposed by Judge K. M. Landis, the trust's petition is only an answer to the trust's contentions of the government.

The company's lawyers did take occasion to insist on fair play, saying "that counsel indulging in criticism of the court should be held to a scrupulous accuracy in their treatment" of the court rulings.

The company denies that there is "inequality in railroad rates; denies that the knowledge of the lawful rate rests upon the shipper; says the defendants were deprived of their rights and that the heavy fine was imposed only because of the names of the company, and takes a slight fling at the government's offer to place the case before the supreme court.

LABOR CASE POSTPONED.

Contempt Charges Will Not Be Heard for Two Weeks.

Washington.—The legal proceedings against President Samuel Gompers secretary Frank Morrison and John Mitchell of the American Federation of Labor, in which they were charged with contempt of the supreme court of the District of Columbia on account of acts and utterances apropos of the judgment of that court directing them to cease publishing the name of the Buck Stove and Range company in their "We don't patronize" list, were virtually postponed for two weeks after a brief hearing Wednesday. Justice Gould of the supreme court presided.

Kansas on Way to Rejoin Fleet.

Melbourne.—The battleship Kansas and the supply ship Culgo, which were left behind when the American fleet sailed for Albany Saturday to await the American mail and pick up straggling sailors, sailed Thursday to rejoin the fleet. Nearly 100 of the American sailors are still unaccounted for and it is believed they deserted with the idea of trying their fortunes here.

Son Is Not Alarmed.

Portland, Ore.—Harry B. Litt of this city is not alarmed over the reported disappearance of his mother in Paris. Recent letters from Paris told of the enjoyable trip Mrs. Litt was having, and there was no indication in them that she was not in good health. He says that had there been occasion for alarm he would have heard of it through the American Express company, with which he is in close touch.

Thaw to Go to Another Jail. Poughkeepsie, N. Y.—Harry K. Thaw will be transferred from the Dutchess county jail to the jail at White Plains westchester county, under an order issued by Supreme Court Justice Mills.

Kills Sweetheart; Tries Suicide. Sheboygan, Wis.—Henry Jachenson aged 22 years, who resides at Brillion, shot and killed his 16-year-old sweetheart, Rosa Janke. He then shot himself above the heart. He is not expected to live.

Manufacturing Concern Falls. Richmond, Ind.—Assigning as a reason the bad times and sharp competition, the Richmond (Ind.) Manufacturing company, went into the hands of a receiver, the Dickinson Trust company of the city being named.

Breaks Finger Gesticulating. Minneapolis.—Mayor Haines, of Minneapolis, in trying to clinch an argument while addressing a political meeting, struck the table with such force that he broke a finger on his right hand.

GUARANTY LAW UPHELD.

Bank Asking Injunction Appeals to Supreme Court.

Guthrie, Okla.—In a unanimous opinion the supreme court Thursday upheld the validity of the depositors guaranty law, denying the injunction prayed by the Noble State Bank to restrain the state from levying a one per cent assessment upon the deposits of the bank. It was contained by the plaintiff bank that the law is unconstitutional in that it levies on and takes private property without consideration. On this point Judge Huston in the Logan county district court overruled the bank and denied an injunction, the case then being appealed to the supreme court.

ALBERTI A BANKRUPT.

Danish King Is Rumored Among the Creditors.

Copenhagen.—M. Alberti the ex-minister of justice who is under arrest here charged with extensive fraud, Thursday filed a declaration of bankruptcy. It is believed that his whole estate will not realize more than \$300,000.

It is rumored that King Frederick is among the creditors, having invested \$400,000 in the savings bank of which Alberti was president. The king is said to be deeply affected, having placed the greatest confidence in Alberti's integrity. The foreign diplomats have sent long reports of the affair to their governments.

Another New Orleans Shortage.

New Orleans.—Chief Clerk Tjague, of the New Orleans city treasurer's office, was placed in the parish prison Thursday night on a charge of having embezzled about \$30,000 in city funds. Tjague was former city comptroller. A brother of the accused man deposited \$30,000 in currency with the city treasurer some time ago to cover any shortage, accidental or otherwise, that might exist. Mayor Behrman placed the matter in the hands of the district attorney as soon as expert accountants made their report.

Will Oppose Thaw's Removal.

Albany, N. Y.—Any attempt to take Harry K. Thaw from the Dutchess county jail at Poughkeepsie to Pittsburgh or any point outside the state will be opposed by the state commission in lunacy. Dr. Albert W. Ferris, president of the commission returned Thursday from a long European trip and announced the position the commission would take regarding the order of Referee Blair of Pittsburgh, that Thaw shall be taken to Pennsylvania to be examined in bankruptcy proceedings instituted in his behalf.

Definitions of Purity.

Geneva.—The congress of the International White Cross association which is in session here for the purpose of considering the matter of food adulteration, today drew up definitions of what should constitute pure milk, butter, oleomargarine and other food products.

Denied He Had a Wife.

New York, N. Y.—Lieutenant Guy Wyman, Eleventh United States cavalry, who was court martialed on Governor's Island last week, for certifying that he was a single man when he had a wife in Huntsville, Tenn., has been acquitted and restored to duty with the Eleventh cavalry.

Potato Bugs Stop Cars.

Bristol, Conn.—Potato bugs on the rails at Lazy Lane, stalled eight trolley cars, filled with excursionists bound for Lake Compounce. In spite of crushing wheels, the bugs held possession of the tracks until the crews could sand them.

Aeroplane Falls; Is Wrecked.

Paris.—After S. Pierlot had made several unsuccessful flight to the ground and was completely wrecked Pierlot and celebrated wrecked Pierlot was not hurt.

Auto Runs Down a Pioneer.

Nebraska City, Neb.—M. T. Johnson, one of the pioneer settlers of this section, was struck by an automobile. Mr. Johnson was thrown some distance and injured internally. Mr. Johnson recently celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday anniversary.

Cat Bites Baby in a Cradle.

Linton.—The infant son of Fred Bales is lying in a critical condition at the home of his parents in this city as a result of a cat jumping into the cradle and biting the child.

THIEF FIGHTS DUEL

BURGLAR ESCAPES IN RUNNING PISTOL FIGHT.

HAD ATTEMPTED TO LOOT HOME

Discovered After Entering Residence of Wealthy Merchant in Edwardsville, Ill.

Edwardsville, Ill.—In a running duel Wednesday morning between Officer T. P. Reilly and a burglar, the latter escaped after firing three shots at the officer. Reilly fired five times, but failed to get his man.

The description of the burglar, given by the police, corresponds with that of the man who shot and killed Chief of Detectives Gill, of East St. Louis.

The burglar had just effected entrance to the residence of E. J. Jeffress, a wealthy merchant, when he was discovered and the police called. The arrival of the police was prompt and the man did not obtain any booty. Attorney E. B. Glass joined in the chase after the burglar, who fled down the Litchfield and Madison tracks, and then cut through the woods along Chapman's branch. Mrs. Madge, of 728 Clarendon street, St. Louis, was visiting the Jeffress family at the time and was badly frightened. She is the wife of General Manager S. H. Madge, of the Postal Telegraph Company.

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Duluth, Minn.—With Grand Marais, a town of 1,500 on the north shore, partly destroyed, and Beaver Bay, eighty miles away, also attacked by the flames, and a dozen smaller towns in peril, it is apparent Saturday that unless rain comes within 48 hours the entire forest fire swept district is doomed to total destruction.

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DEMOCRATS ADOPT PLATFORM

Leaders of Party Give Careful Consideration to Matters of Public Policy in Drafting Measure, Which Passes Without a Dissenting Voice.

Jefferson City.—The Democratic nominees adopted without a dissenting vote their state platform last Wednesday.

With the doors thrown wide open, and with no fear of the Republicans discovering the essentials of the document, the Democrats gathered at the Cole county courthouse shortly after 3 o'clock, when the platform was read to the convention by Senator F. W. McAllister, of Monroe county, chairman of the resolutions committee.

Throughout a good part of the night and Wednesday, party leaders and state candidates, from W. S. Cowherd, the gubernatorial nominee, down, alternated in advising with the subcommittee to which had been delegated the drafting of the platform. Every suggestion was received and given consideration, irrespective of its source. A feeling of good fellowship was noticeable throughout the long session. No one was slighted and all united in the single purpose of framing a measure that would be a credit to the party and the state.

Not an issue was dodged. At the outset it was agreed that every matter before the public should be weighed carefully and the position of the party candidates stated without fear or equivocation. There was called into the councils of the committee and the candidates leading party members whose interest in the Democracy of the state is well known, and their suggestions were received as were the proposals of the leading party nominees.

Senator McAllister, Congressman J. Russell, James T. Lloyd and D. A. DeArmond, and O. M. Barnett and Judge H. W. Johnston composed the subcommittee. None attempted to wield a whip, nor was any effort made to dictate without discussion the policies that were embodied in the platform.

Not only is the superiority of the Democratic platform over the Republican measure apparent in the planks it contains, but its terseness and clear phrasing bespeak the ability of the Democrats. Practically every candidate entitled to a seat in the convention was present when Senator McAllister began reading the platform. Except for stenographic errors, no changes were made in the measure as adopted, and none were anticipated, so thoroughly had the subjects handled been considered before their promulgation.

The adoption was the last work of the convention, and the final adjournment was taken on motion of Congressman Champ Clark, after the thanks of the convention had been extended to Temporary Chairman Clark, Permanent Chairman DeArmond and Secretary Morton H. Pemberton, on motion of Colin M. Selph, of St. Louis.

The Platform in Full.

The Democracy of Missouri, conscious of an invulnerable record and confident of victory in November, heartily endorses, in every particular, the national platform adopted at Denver, and pledges to Bryan and Kern the electoral votes of this great state.

We point to the superb schools in the state of Missouri as a monument to the intelligent, public-spirited and sound business management of the Democratic party, and we challenge the Republicans to the issue which their party organs have raised of converting the present state, county, municipal and school systems, and securities into low interest-bearing government bonds, which would reduce the debt, and we challenge the Republicans to the issue of the public school system, and the issue of our free institutions, which rest upon the virtue and intelligence of our people.

We challenge the Republican party managers and Republican press of the state, who for years have charged the Democratic party with "the school fund," to point to a single dollar not honestly accounted for in the more than thirty years during which time the executive departments of the state were under Democratic control. In their many campaigns they clamored to "see the books," and now they charge the Democrats with the school fund. We challenge the Republican party to produce the books, and we challenge the Republican party to produce the books, and we challenge the Republican party to produce the books.

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We endorse the administration of Gov. Joseph W. Folk, together with the long and honorable record of Democratic governors from Gov. Woodson to the present; and we endorse the administration of William J. Stone, together with the long and honorable record of Democratic senators from Thomas H. Benton to the present; and we endorse the record made by the Democratic representatives from Missouri in the present congress.

We heartily endorse the Democratic state ticket recently nominated at the state primary election and pledge to each of them our undivided support.

We invite the cooperation and assistance of not only the citizenship of our party, but we appeal to all those voters of the state who recognize the wisdom of Bryan as president we would have as our chief executive a man whose heart beats for humanity, whose hand would guide the ship of state for the welfare of the masses and not the classes. His pure life, patriotic devotion and superior statesmanship commend him to all Americans, regardless of party, and assure an early realization that the nation will commission the world's greatest private citizen and most distinguished commoner to the highest office within the gift of the noblest people of all the earth.

minutes I put a fresh chicken on to broil. This one is always perfectly done for you when you ring."—Philadelphia Record.

Insomnia.

Insomnia is not the uncommon fate of the brain worker who, after years of continuous mental strain, retires from active life. The reason is that mental activity demands a large supply of blood for the brain, and the blood vessels gradually accommodate themselves to this large supply.

breakfast. The nearest grocery was half a mile away, and nothing could be done to repair the mischief.

"I'm awfully sorry, Mrs. Wyckoff," she said to her guest at breakfast-time, "but something happened to my oolong last night, and I've nothing to offer you to take its place but catnap tea. You'd rather have coffee than that, I'm sure."

The guest preferred the coffee, and the story never leaked out until Aunt Hepzibah told it herself.—Youth's Companion

Aunt Hepzibah's Explanation.

Aunt Hepzibah was usually a careful housewife, and things seldom went wrong under her management, but one evening she left the lid off the big canister in which she kept her best oolong tea, and a half-grown cat crept inside of it and slept on the fragrant contents.

Aunt Hepzibah's horror on discovering it the next morning was heightened by the fact that she was entertaining a friend who was particularly fond of tea, and always used it for